

## News Release

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## Donalds, S.C. Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charge

(**COLUMBIA**, **S.C.**) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of John Andrew Frankum (DOB: 09/19/1990) of Donalds, S.C. on one (1) count involving the sexual exploitation of minors. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED), assisted by the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office, both members of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, made the arrest.

A referral was received from investigators at the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office (also an ICAC Task Force member) that images depicting children engaged in sexual activity had been disseminated from an account traced to Donalds, S.C.

A search warrant was executed at two residences, including Frankum's home, on August 26, 2014 by officers from SLED and the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office. He was transported to the Abbeville County Law Enforcement Center, where he was arrested. Frankum is charged with one (1) count of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment. Bond was set at \$10,000.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.